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Jenny KINGSTON et al.) Group Art Unit: 2856
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Application No.: 10/069,351) Examiner: Katina M. Wilson
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Filed: February 25, 2002)
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For: AQUATIC PASSIVE SAMPLING)
DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ITS)
USE)
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Sir:

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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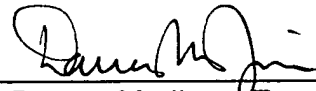
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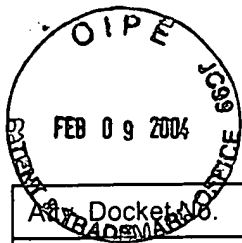
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